

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

Chambers of
BENSON EVERETT LEGG
United States District Judge

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February 1, 2001

MEMORANDUM TO COUNSEL RE: Ricky Alan Hockensmith v.
Officer Steve Cromer, et al.
Civil #L-00-~~2467~~

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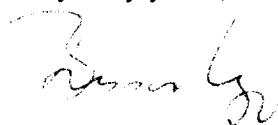
Dear Counsel:

I am in receipt of counsel's letter of January 29th requesting 25 deposition hours for the plaintiff and 40 deposition hours for the defendants. While this number of hours may prove necessary, it seems high given the allegations of the complaint.

I hereby authorize 15 hours per side. Please use that allotment. If you need more, please submit a written request describing (i) the paper discovery taken to date, (ii) the depositions taken to date, including the length of each, (iii) the depositions remaining, including the need for and anticipated length of each, (iv) specific dates for the deposition, and (v) whether opposing counsel agrees to the request.

Despite the informal nature of this memorandum, it shall constitute an Order of Court and the Clerk is directed to docket it accordingly.

Very truly yours,



Benson Everett Legg

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